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NONE IDENTIFIED YET AT THE THEOSOPHISTS' CONVENTION,

But the New President, Mr. Hargrove, Says America Is Their Chosen Land-Will Run a School for the Revival of the Ancient Mysteries-Convention Boings.

Three Presidents of the Theosophical Society in America were present at the opening of the second annual Convention in the concert hall of Madison Square Garden yesterday. One was Dr. J. D. Buck of Cincinnati, As acting President, who before the Convention is over will give place to his successor elected yesterday. Ernest T. Hargrove. The third was the Mahatma President, on whom has failen the mantle of the late William Quan Judge. Mr. Claude Falls Wright, who knows more about the inner workings of theosophy than most men, having worked at theosophy for a great many years. assured THE SUN man that the Mahatma President was in the room, and that he, Mr. Wright, had recognized him. He wouldn't disclose the identity of the mysterious official, however, because, as he said, it was not well for the rank and file to penetrate these esoteric labyrinths of knowledge, but the successor of Mr. Judge was an adept and all the rest of it. May be the hid-den one is Mr. Claude Falls Wright himself. Whoever he is, he took no active part in the meeting the is supposed to confine his attention to Mahatmaking, leaving financial matters to those less exalted), and the fact of his being among those present is noted here merely be cause it isn't probable that he will phenom at

Except at a Paderewski concert it would be difficult to find such a gathering of enthusiasts as filled the meeting place of the Theosophists yesterday. Saving on rare occasions, however, it wasn't the enthusiasm that shouts and sureams, but the enthusiasm that acts in rapt ecstasy and with clasped hands. It broke out quite wildly once or twice, notably when Ernest T. Hargrove, the President elect, was called to the platform. Mr. Hargrove's election to the Presidency of the Theosophical Society in America proves that the old theory of some mystic connection between whiskers and theosophy is without foundation, or that the rule has changed. So far as is known, Mmc. Blavatsky's is the only great name in past theosophy that is not surrounded with a hirsute halo. But Mr. Hargrove is clean shaven, and he presented a striking appearance on that platform, where every other man was abnormal in the matter of hair. Through the audience the same peculiarity prevailed, but it was more striking upon the platform. There was exhibited the roseate aura of Claude Falls Wright, the gray and profuse growth of Mr. E. Aug. Nereshelmer, the carefully restrained but persistent side-lights of Dr. J. D. Buck (of the kind denominated wind tempters in the language of their native town, Cincinnati); the Indigenous and bushy sprouts of Dr. Jerome A. Anderson and the depressed and weary drooper upon the upper lip of Mr. E. B. Page. It was noticeable throughout the assemblage that those whose whiskers were normal had cultivated weird effects in the matter of occipital hair. Everybody wore purple badges ornamented with the triangle, circle, and mystic sign of theosophy, and as these badges constituted introductions all round, everybody was very happy to meet everyof Claude Falls Wright, the gray and profuse as these badges constituted introductions all round, everybody was very happy to meet everybody eise, and it was quite a joylal time that Dr. Buck interrupted by tapping for order with his gavel at 10:30 yesterday morning. By way of opening the Convention he made a speech telling of the prosperity and purpose of the organization. Four theosophist musicians furnished some very excellent music on stringed instruments, after which E. H. Hambo was elected temporary Chairman and Elliot B. Page Secretary, and there was appointment of committees and reception of delegates. The session adjourned after transacting some necessary business.

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In the afternoon officers were elected. Evidently the Mahatmas had already made out their slate, for every one was prepared for the election of Mr. Hargrove, including Mr. Hargrove himself, who was therefore able to improvise a short but impressive speech. Before this business was taken up, however, a number of resolutions were read, one of which halied the late Baron de Hirsch as a true Theosophist life contrived to keep it pretty dark during his life, and called for the placing of his picture in place of honor at headquarters. This was pa-sed, but another resolution denouncing vivisection and hypnotism was referred back, though great applause greeted its reading.

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"Lore Circle work was approved and arrangements were made for its extension. At the conclusion of the resolutions Dr. Buck arose and
mate a speech in which he nominated Mr. Hargrove. In his speech he made this statement, to
which to key was furnished:
"Realizing what Karma means I will say that
if I had the power to appoint a President, which
I have not, this being a constitutional body, and
take the entire Karma for the act. I would appoint Mr. Harrove,"

Then everybody got up and waved handkerchiefs, and appinated widthy until the rising of
Claude Falls Wright's radiant countenance
above the surroundings willed them. Mr.
Wright looked as pleased as if all the applause
were for him. His cyes twinkled with glee
under eyebrows devated and the position once
occupied by a long-lost forelock.
"I have only half a dozen words to say in seconding Mr. Hargrove's nomination," said he,
putting the tips of his fingers together, rising on
his toes and falling back again with a clump
that shook the stage. "Mr. Hargrove is not
only the man for 'President, but the only man
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A brilliant smile broke out amid the rosy whiskers, and the speaker sat down to an accompaniment of thunderous applause. The motion to elect Mr. Hargrove President was put viva voce and carried. This gave Mr. Elliot B. Page a chance. Mr. Page is the Secretary and also the humoriat of the Convention. Theosophical humor as exemplified by him is worth studying. It convents in sensing with great action in more as exemplated by him is worth studying. It consists in speaking with great gaps in his discourse, whereat every one wonders what delicious bit of humor is coming, and after he is through they are usually still wondering. As a rule all that a secretary has to do in noting an election is to note it. Not so Mr. Page. He had to make a speech rach time. His residue, seech in this Convention.

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grawn) of this Convention [heart-breaking shasm and broad grin] for Mr. Ernest T. Hargrove [dying simper and retirement].

Whereupon the entire convention broke into politicity appreciative languiter, and a lady with glasses whispered to This Sun reporter:

"He's so jocular, Mr. Page is, Don't you think he's awfully jocular?"

To which there was only one reply possible unless one would sacrifice good manners to versality. Mr. Hargrove was summoned to the platform, where he made an offsetive speech, promising to perform the duties of his office to the best of his shifty. He is a young man, perhaps 30 years old, very slender, something under seven feet tail, with a clear and thoughtful face and a fine presence. He is at present a subject of Great Britain, but has taken out first naturalization papers. In his speech he averred that Dr. Huck could nave had the Presidency by lifting his finger for it. Next in order came nominations for Vice-President, and Dr. Jerome A. Anderson rose to the occasion. With a note of pathos in his voice and a black skull can on his head he nominated Mr. E. Augustus Nereshelmer. He was aware, he said sorrowfully, that Mr. Nereshelmer wasn't nuch on taiking, but he elected. This was the unanimous vice, and Mr. Nereshelmer was elected viva voce, thus giving Mr. Elliot B. Page another opportunity. He was up in an instant.

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"Friends, I want to say just a word," he said; and instants that he paused and stretched like a man waking himself up. When he had waked up he continued: "I came here towork." Here he sawed the air violently with he arms and paused to see the effect upon the audience, who promptly burst into hughter. Attacciation having crowned his effort he went oo, "I have the greatest honor imaginable." he atopped to rub his head and darted a look of sly humor at the audience, who rippled with mirth..." in fact, I now take pleasure in castingthe. humor at the audience, who rippled with mirrh.

"in fact, I now take pleasure in casting for vote of this assembly." waving his arms inclusively. "for Mr. E. Aug. us his Nerssheimer," it out insighter and appliance."

"Oh, isn't be list too focular for anything." exclaimed the indiv with the eyes lasses to the resolver, removing these articles for the purpose of whim her eyes, which had overflowed in her excess of migh. "I should think you'd like to take it down." So it was written down.

Mr. Neresheimer was unanimously elected Treasurer. To rose the ready-witted Pace again.

"I am overwhelmed with honors," he said, and then stopped to chuckle: "but I promise you to be he he that I won't ha ha go to the hatter's to-morrow to ah ha ha ho ho ho get a larger hat," and here his mirth so overcame hin that he almost toppied over while his audience fairly howled in appreciation. Finally herecovered enough to say: "I gladly cast a bailot for Mr. Nereshelmer for Treasurer," and sat down gasning.
"On, dear, I'm tired out laughing," cried his admirer with the glasses. "He really ought to

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go on the stage, don't you think so? He's so jocular."

Only one more opportunity did he get to air his jocularity, and that was when Dr. Buck instructed him after the vote of the society to write down as elected the former Executive Committee. This time he rose, making an obvious effort to restrain his glee at the wit and humor seething within him, and stared long at a white paper which he held at arm's length.

"As directed by the Convention," he began in the strained voice of a man stringding for control over himself, "to elect the Executive Committee, but but—but I think Dr. Buck was so modest that he forgot his name headed the list," and here he broke down.

The reporter looked around apprehensively at the lady with the glasses, but she was too convolved to speak at all. The afternoon session adjourned without giving Mr. Page a single other opportunity.

If there were any Mahatmas around at the night session they were not recognized. The hall was packed. The hight was given over to specifies. Dr. Buck talked on international unity, and said the time wasn't far off when all mein would realize that they were brothers, which they are now, whether they think so or not. Theosophy was to bring this about.

George M. Coffin, head of a bureau in the office of the Comptroller of Currency, talked on "Evolution." Miss Alice C. Cleather of London told what Karma means. She said it was a pily noterm in the English language expressed the meaning. Dr. Jerome A. Anderson talked on the needs of humanity. The greatest need, be said, was honesty, "common, old-fashioned honesty in dealing with our neighbors and our souls. We are a dishonest nation from top to bottom, Our acts are dishonent. We are built out of a false idea on false principles. In a certain country in Asia the merchant puts his goods along the roadside, and he puts change beside them so that the traveller when he comes along may buy with little trouble, He goes off and comes back at night and gathers up his money and the goods unsold. How would this work in Wa

all around. When he returned he said. They will not be stolen; there is not a Christian in sight." The second thing humanity needed was tolerance.

Freilerick J. Dick of Dublin told about returnation, Burcham Harding about the mission of the Theosophical Society, and James M. Pryse about theosophy and children, and then a bust of William Q. Judge was unveiled. A little girl drew aside the purple sheet that covered it, while the audience stood up.

Just after the unveiling a Mahatma from the desert of Goby or somewhere else, speaking through Claude Falls Wright, said that the real founders of theosophy were premaring to found here a school for the revival of the lost mysteries of antiquity, in which the students might all learn to be masters—how to be gods.

A woman followed him, and, holding up her hands, said: "Oh, God, my God, is there no help for us?" She answered herself: "The answer I almost hear seems to be in the very air that there is help to be found in that very school, and I know that humanity will be saved."

There was great applause. Edward O Rourke of Indiana read resolutions, thanking the "Guardian of the race" that William Q Judge was "still with us." The resolutions said of Mr. Judge: "Never was he not, nor shall he hereafter come to be."

Mr. Nereshelmer read an address once delivered by Mr. Judge in Chicago, and Mrs. Julia Campbell Keightley of Philadelphia talked on "Devotion."

Archibald Keightley of London talked about theosophical footsteps, and the new President. Mr. Hargove, on the future of America. He thought the future in sight was great.

He said that all the old souls who were great in their time were flocking here reincarnated, and they were going to take charge of the new school for the revival of the mysteries of antiquity. These old souls, he said, were the nuclues of the race which is to follow the present. The Convention will go on this morning.

### KILLED ON HER WAY TO CHURCH. Old Mrs. McLeod Rus Down and Crushed

Mrs. Christiana McLeod, 67 years old, a widow of 238 Rodney street, Williamsburgh, was killed at Broadway and Rodney street by a Sumper avenue trolley car vesterday afternoon. She was on her way to the South Third Street Presbyterian Church, at Driggs avenue and South

Mrs. McLeod ilved with her married daughters, Mrs. G. R. Valentine and Mrs. C. R. Marshall. Two months ago her husband died. Mrs. McLeod was sick at the time and until yesterday was unable to leave her home. She then expressed a wish to attend the 4 o'clock service in the south Third Street Presbyterian Church. and Mrs. Marshall promised to take her there. Mrs. Valentine's husband is the superintendent went to the Sunday school together.

Before leaving, Mrs. Marshall told her mother not to leave the house until she returned from Sunday school at 3:30 o'clock. After Mrs. Marshall left Mrs. McLeod became impatient. She told her other daughter that it seemed unfair to place any restraint on her, in view of the fact that she hadn't been out of the house since her husband's death. Mrs. Valentine told the old lady that on account of her feeble condition it was unwise for her to go out alone. Mrs. Mc-lead became persistent, and at 3:30 o'clock Mrs. Valentine rejuctantly allowed her mother to leave the house.

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Mrs. McLeod told berdaughter that she would meet Mrs. Marshall on the way. After leaving her house Mrs. McLeod crossed over to the left side of the street. When she got to the intersection of South Ninth street and Broadway, according to eye witnesses, Mrs. MoLeod stopped to let half a dozen wheelmen pass. She crossed South Ninth street, and at a crosswalk on Broadway and Rodney street she halted again. Car 420 of the Sumner avenue line, in charge of Motorman Emil Fink and Conductor William Ellson, had left the Broadway ferry terminus a few minutes before on its up trip. It is said that the car went along at a rapid rate, and after the motorman crossed the switches of the Nassau road at Marcy avenue he put on more speed, which caused the car to bowl along at the rate of Iwenty miles an hour. According to the motorman, he first saw Mrs. McLeod when she stepped on the tracks from behind a coach going in an opposite direction. The gridiron fender of the car struck the woman with such force that she furned a somersault and was struck a second time by the car which then passed over her. She was dragged along under the car for fully fifty feet before the car was brought to a stop. Mrs. McLeod was tightly wedged under the rar wheels. A crowd gathered, and a policeman sent for an ambulance. The car was lifted and the woman was pulled out. An ambulance surgeon who examined the woman said that death had been instantaneous.

While the crowd stood around Mrs. Marshall appeared. A poy told her of the fatality, and when she saw the body she became hysterical and was taken to ler home. The car was going along at a moderate rate of speed and that he didn't see the woman waid that the didn't see the woman waid that the didn't see the woman until she station house the car was going along at a moderate rate of speed and that he di

## GENERAL SESSIONS CLERKS.

Dendlock Broken, and Goff Gets None of

the New Patronage. It was learned yesterday that the deadlock in the Court of General Sessions over the appointment of deputy and assistant clerks and officers provided for by recent legislation has been broken, and that the names of the new officials will be announced early this week, perhaps towill be announced early this week, pernaps to-day. The deadlock was occasioned by a desire to break the Tammany state for denuity clerks. The five men Tammany flatt wanted for these places are Michael T. Daly, John J. Ifyan, Samuel A. Wolf, Carl L. Lewenstein, and William J. Ellis, These places are worth

Samuer A. Wolf. and L. Lewenstein, and William J. Ellis. These places are worth \$1,000 a year.

Recorder 1:off, it is said, has been willing to make an arrangement with Judge Fitzgerald, and Tammany Democrat, and tity Judge Cowning, for a division of the nineteen places by which Tammany itall would be left in the cold and he would get a few of the places, all of which he tried to get through the "tioff Grabbill." The combination failed, however, and the licorder gets nothing. The Tammany state is broken in but one particular. William J. Ellis has been set aside and Rutha it. Cawing, Jr. a son of the Judge, will take his place on the list. The ten is faculation court attendants appointed by Judge Alinam when he was on the bonch will not be disturbed.

# Arrested the Salvation Army.

NEW HAVES, April 2d. The entire Salvation Army in this city was arrested by the police utherities here this morning and taken to Pofice Headquarters in the pairol wagon, with their flare, drums, and tambourines. The ar-rest was due to a mistake of Capt. Woodrum of the Third precinct police, who took the Army for an Italian band. The Army was doing mis-sion work in Oak street, the Bowery of Naw Haven, when the police made the descent. The prisoners were immediately discharged from custody.

# PLATT'S SUNDAY SENATE

DECIDES TO KEEP LEXOW'S GREAT-ER N. Y. COMMITTEE ALIFE.

Supplemental Trouble, If Not Legislation. for Anti-Platt Bepartments in New York and Kings-Wurster's Brooklyn Bridge Bill May Be Killed - Roosevelt Bill Bend.

Leader Thomas C. Platt presided yesterday afternoon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel for the last time this session over his Sunday class of Republican hayseed legislators. At this seasion the demands of the New York and Brooklyn Platt Republicans were about all that were discussed. These demands were emphatic and voluminous. The Platt fighters down this way say that the Republican hay-seeders have had their fill, while this end of the party is in danger of getting only the husks, Only five days of the session at Albany remale, and in that time something must be done to satisfy the cravings of these Platt Republicans below the Bronz.

That was the situation when Class Leader Platt received his hayseed pupils yesterday afternoon. Senator Elisworth, President pro tem. of the Senate; Senator Lexow, Senator Burns, Senator Malby, Cornellus Van Cott, Deacon Hackett, Edward Lauterbach, Chairman Austin of the Assembly Cities Committee, and a score more were on hand. It was a big class, The only notable absentees were Speaker Flan and Leader O'Grady of the Assembly.

Before going any further it may be said thta supplemental legislation to the Greater New York measure was not discussed. Neither was the suggestion that the session of the Legislature should be extended beyond Thursday taken up. It was known over a week ngo that Gov. Morton would not countenance the proposed supplemental legislation, and that the difficulties surrounding an effort to extend the session were of such a character as not to be overcome. So that, as a matter of fact, the gathering yesterday afternoon was for no other purpose than to devise ways and means of eventually securing the benefits to the Platt Republicans below the Bronx that would have accrued from the supplemental legislation and an extended session of the Leg-

legislation and an extended session of the Legislature.

In the estimation of the Republicans who attended yesterday's class meeting Mr. Platt, all during the session, put out many a kedee anchor and will pull off the Platt machines in New York and Brooklyn in good shape.

It was practically determined to continue the life of the Lexow committee on the Greater New York measure. It will be recalled that before the Greater New York bill was framed and sent to Albany, Senator Lexow and his compatriots came to New York and Brooklyn and heard testimony and arguments for and against the proposed bill. The bill was introduced and passed and Gov. Morton's refusal to countenance supplemental legislation looking to the "adjustment" of the Health, Fire, and Police departments of New York and Brooklyn came as a surprise.

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The Lauterbach Republicans in New York county and the Worth Buttling Republicans in Kings county had fought for national delegates favorable to Mortion's cantifidacy, believing that they would be rewarded when, this proposed supplemental legislation was passed. The Lauterbach Republicans had received nothing from Mayor Strong's administration. The Worth-Buttling forces had got the marble heart from the Wurster Willis battalions. So the Platt machinists in New York and Kings had been held together by this proposed supplemental legislation dangling before their eyes, tiov. Morton has not signed the Greater New York bill yet, though nobedy expects a veto. But on the other hand, the Republicans at yestesday's session said they believed it would be a good thing to continue the life of the Lexow Greater New York legislative committee, for the reason that the Greater New York Commissioners to be appointed by Gov. Morton have no power to call for papers or to issue subpenns.

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The Lexow legislative committee has this power, and it was argued that its members could be of great service to the Greater New York Commissioners. For instance, the Lexow committee, sitting as a sort of advisory board to the Greater New York Commissioners, could call for papers and witnesses affecting the dispartments in New York Commissioners, could call for papers and witnesses affecting Grango of the Fire Department, and Fresident Roosevelt of the Police Department Roosevelt Roos

for his election, and that without their aid Grout would certainly have run first under the wire.

But from the day of Wurster's election, they declared yesterday, he has ignored and insuited them; has recognized only the Willis faction, given the Willis people all the big and little places, and left the Worth-Buttling fellows out in the sold. The Worth-Buttling people protested yesterday against the passage of the Brockiyn Bridge bill, which removes the present trustees and hands over 1000 places to Wurster and Comptroller Paimer and the Wurster-Willis man.

"We'd be lumping from the frying pan into the fire," they procealmed. "Better let things remain as they are than to give Wurster and Willis clubs to batter out our brains."

They demanded in stentorian tones that the Brooklyn Bridge bill be killed.

Mayor Wurster must have heard them over in Brooklyn, for he appeared at the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night, and with Frank Sperry, Assistant Corporation Counsel of Brookin, and Edward Leaterbach had a protracted confabwith Mr. Platt. Of course neither of them would tell the result, but when Mayor Wurster left the notel he was not at all in a comfortable frame of mind. This was long after the afternoon session at the hotel.

But there were Brooklyn men of the Worth-Buttling stripe around who said that they did not trust Mr. Wurster. "Wurster's words butter no Worth-Buttling parsnips," they procialmed, and these people professed to believe that the Platt machinists at Albany would kill that Brooklyn Bridge bill "deader than a hammer."

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The Roosevelt Police bill in NewYork county. The Roosevelt Police bill in NewYork county, it was reiterated, will never see the light of day, and as for the Raines junketing committee to avertain if Raines's bill is working to his satisfaction—why. Haines would be indeed and jury, and some of these Republican solons seemed to think it all right and fair.

But the seventy of the seventy-two national delegates to the St. Louis Convention will vote solidly for Morton under the inadership of the Rig Four, Platt, Depew, Miller, and Lauterbach.

### DANCED IN NEW SHOES. Possibility that the Wheels of Justice to

Bergen County May Stop. HACKENBACE, April 26,-1f Prosecutor Stage can get to court to-morrow, the trial of Milie Ryan, the alleged green-goods operator, will be begun in the morning. Mr. Stage purchased pair of new shoes last Wednesday and wore them to the wedding of Luther A. Campbell, a young lawyer. During the festivities he was lured into dancing. One of his heels is very

#### Did Confinement in School Kill Hert Philippine Armauer, the 11-year-old daughter of a carpenter living at 120 Eighth street, died yesterday of the effects, her physician thinks, of her too close confinement when at the gram

of her too close confinement when at the gram-mar school in Seventh street. Coroner Hoeber says that he will investigate the case thoroughly, and will cause the arrest of the person responsible for the child's death, if it prove due to too long detention in school. The immediate cause of the child's death was peritorities. She weighed 105 pounds. The teacher of the class she was in is Miss Jone Cun-ningham of 322 East Eighteenth street.

# THE BRIDEGROOM CAME NOT.

Sent for His Trunk and Went Bleyeling. End of the Romance of Adam and Eve.

Eve Roser, a shop girl who boards with Dentist J. S. Goger and his wife at 1,019 Boston avenue, met six months ago Adam Schweitzer, machinist by trade. After a short courtship Adam and Eve became engaged. The banns were proclaimed for the first time a week ago by Father Kesseler in St. Joseph's Church at 195th street and Columbus avenue. Yesterday the banns were finally proclaimed, and the wedding was announced for 3 o'clock in the after

About fifty guests assembled at Dentist Goger's house at the appointed nour. They found Miss Roser attired in a white slik bridal gown, and everything was in readiness for the wedding, excepting Adam, who failed to turn up. Messengers were sent in search of him. One, who went to his boarding house on Washington avenue, learned that he had left early in the day, going away on his bicycle. Another messenger went to Woodstock, where Adam and Eve had furnished a flat on Friday, intending to make it their future home. Adam had not been near the flat since that day,

At 4 o'clock an expressman called at Dentist Goger's house. He carried a note from Adam

"Give the bearer my trunk," wrote Adam. I back out at the last minute, not having the courage to go ahead and get married. Besides, my uncle in Paterson does not approve of the match. Please excuse me, and give up my trunk.

The guests were informed of the contents of the note, and they denounced Adam and his Paterson uncle, white Eve sought consolation in the kind words showered on her by Mrs. Goger, the dentist's wife, who told Eve Adam wasn't good enough for her, and that it

Adam wasn't good enough for her, and that it was a good thing that the match had been declared off, because it would have proved unlucky any way.

The wedding feast was postponed, the guests going away after the girl had told the expressman he could remove the truck of the recreant lover as guickly as he knew how. When the expressman carted the trunk away Mrs. Gager took the girl out on a visit, so that she might forget the events of the day.

Dentist Goger, who rides a wheel, went scorching up Washington avenue, and never stopped until he met Adam Schweitzer. He denounced Adam for disappointing Eve, and demanded an explanation. Adam told the story of his uncle in Paterson being opposed to the match, and said he could give no other explanation than what he already had stated in his note to the girl he disappointed.

### SHOT BY HIS PLAYMATE.

#### How Stanley McDermott Was Killed by Arthur Hagerman.

BELMAR, N. J., April 26,- Stanley McDermott 14 years old, was shot and killed last night by Arthur Hagerman, 13 years old. McDermott was the son of Charles McDermott, a real estate agent. Hagerman's father is Joseph H. Hager man, a contractor and builder. Mr. Hagerman owns a cottage in the woods not far from the beach. During the summer Mr. Hagerman lives there with his family. It was at this cottage that the shooting took place.

McDermott, Hagerman, and George Heyer, who was visiting McDermott, started out early in the evening for a bicycle ride. They had gone but a short distance when one of the lads suggested that they visit the Hagerman cottage. All consented. Young Hagerman had a key, and in a few minutes the boys were inside of the building, exploring it from cellar to garret.

In a closet Hagerman came across a revolver that his father had put there last summer. Mc-Dermots protested against Hagerman taking it down, but the latter declared there was no danger. McDermott was sitting on one side of the

#### His Answer to Chamberlain Is Said to Be a Diplomatic Masterplece.

LONDON, April 26. The Times will to-morrow publish a despatch from Pretoria which says that President Kritger's reply declining to visit England to discuss Transvaal matters is a diplo-

matic masterpiece.
It declares that the Transvaal Government will not discuss reforms with the British Gov ernment on the ground that Great Britain admittedly cannot interfere with the internal administration of the republic. Nevertheless, private suggestions from the British Government will always be considered.

The President adds that if the revision of the Convention of 1884 and the superseding thereof by a treaty of amity and commerce containing a "most fa-vored nation" clause cannot be discussed unless the alleged grievances of the Uttlanders are also discussed the Transvaal would prefer to leave matters as they are, and to merely demand the payment of an indemnity for Dr. Jameson's raid.

He intimates that Great Britain can facilitate his going to London by accepting the basis of discussion he has already proposed.

The President frankly admits that the Trans vaal Administration is capable of improvement, and that the Government is not always right.

He concludes by laying stress on the patients and forbearance that have been disclayed by both sides, and expressing the hope that wound ed feelings will be healed and friendly relations restored.

#### TWENTY-TWO SCORCHERS NABRED One of the Bleyellats Rearrested for Scorel ing After Civing Ball.

The bicycle police were kept busy yesterday chasing scorchers on the Boolevard. Up to 10 o'clock they had made eighteen arrests.

The following are the names of those who were taken into custody: Adolph Bolson, Isaac Kluck. Jacob Schneider, Frank Hilton, John Metiane, Conrad Kruger, Edward Taylor, Irwin Cook, Frank Dimmick, Ernest L. Nagle, Louis Rivers, Alfred Jagweddy, Edward Corbett, Hugh Clin-Alfred Jagweddy, Edward Corbett, Hugh Clinton, Samuol Fisher, Maxwell Moran, James Garrity, and Ralph Fiwell.

After Nagle's arrest he was balled out, and, subsequently, Policeman Brown caught him repeating the offence and locked him up again. Most of the men were released on ball.

Policemen Sullivan and Chilom of the East 176th street station arrested yesterday afternoon four bicycle riders who were trying to beat records at Mount Morris Park West and It'sth street. They described themselves as Oscar R. Fish of 2,387 Third avenue. Morris W. Harvey of 68 East 170th street, and Albert Daum and George Bartholomew of 712 Kast 143d street. amuel Blumenthal, who lost his job as agent

At company's office. Ith av. and 48d st. Call and drink bparkling Archives Spring Water. - 2dd.

### SWEPT BY A BIG WIND STORM

#### TWENTY-FIVE FICTIMS OF A TOR. NADO IN KANSAS.

A Child Carried a Half Mile and Its Body Found in a Ravine-Many Horses and Cattle Killed and Much Property Destroyed Looking for the Dead and Hurt.

CLAY CENTRE, KAD., April 26.-A ternado sped through Clay county late last night. As far as is known to-night five people were killed, three fatally wounded, and seventeen injured. The dead are: Frank Peterson, Mrs. Frank Peterson and child, Mrs. Ole Naverson, grandchild of Peter Anderson. A full list of the injured is unobtainable, as

the doctors have not returned from the scene of the disaster. It is known, however, that every member of the families of John Morris, F. Welkin, Peter Anderson, and Henry Gardner was hurt, and three of them have wounds said to be A large number of horses and cattle were killed and damage to farm property is immense. The

and went in a northeasterly direction for twelve or fifteen miles and then lost its force by spread It passed about half way between Clifton and Morganville. Its track varied from 150 yards to a quarter of a mile in width. It tore through

a farming community and nothing is left stand-

tornado started about six miles south of Clifton

Houses and barns were wrecked, trees torn up or broken, fences levelled, and hay stacks blown over in every direction. The tornado was followed by a terrific rain storm, which lasted several hours, flooding the devastated

district There had been indications of a beavy rain all day, with local showers, but nobody expected a storm. As far as learned the victims of the tornado were in their houses, and the most of

them had gone to bed. The storm struck Peter Anderson's home at 9:30 o'clock. This was about a mile from the starting point. The house was demolished in an instant. Every member of the Anderson family

was injured. When they had extricated themselves from the debris they discovered that Anderson's grandchild was missing. The body of the child was found this morning in a ravine half a mile

Anderson alarmed the neighbors who lived out of the track of the storm, and search was com-menced for victims, but little headway was nade in the rain. Couriers were sent to Clifton and Morganville for doctors, but it was daylight before they arrived. Many of the injured lay all night pinned down by wreckage while others crawled or hobbled across the country to neighboring houses.

In several instances persons were lifted into the air and carried for a distance and then suddenly dropped. Buildings also were lifted up and hurled to the ground with terrific force.

The wife and daughter of John Morris were

eading when the shock came. The house was divided. The ladies managed to get out, when the wind picked them up, carried them 200 yards, and dropped them on a pile of straw.

People for miles around to-day gathered at the different points where damage was done and rendered assistance in every way possible. The track of the storm resembled a piece of ground levelled with a roller.

It is believed much damage was done in the neighborhood of Palmer, Washington county, but the details cannot be learned. It is impossible at this time to estimate the damage to buildings and other property.

# TALKING OF STEVENSON.

## Southern Democrats Discuss the Vice-Pres

WASHINGTON, April 26.-Among Southern Demograts at the Capitol, the impression seems be growing that Vice-President Stevenson stands a better chance of being struck by the Presidential nomination lightning than any of the gentlemen who have yet been named. Some of the shrewdest men in the Democratic party in the South say they would not be surprised to see the Chicago Nominating Convention bestow the honor upon "General" Stevenson

It is said that at the Convention to be held in Chicago there will be a great demonstration made over him if his name is presented by the Himois delegation. State pride is expected to assert itself, and it is contended that he could carry that State for the ticket on his personal popularity.

As to his financial policy, that is one of the great mysteries of the present day. Since he great mysteries of the present day. Since he has been in the Vice-President's chair he has refrained from expressing any public opinion on the money question, so that heither the gold bugs nor the free silver men are certain of his position. In the South it is thought that he is favorable to free silver, and some of his friends in the North are equally confident that he would not undertake to act contrary to the wishes of a great majority of the practical business men of the country.

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Buring the past week several influential mem-bers of the Democratic party have been to see him for the purpose of sounding him on the money question, with a view to starting a Presi-dential borm in his behalf. He has received all such callers with his usual couriesy and good humor, but he has positively declined to make any public statement concerning the finances of the country, stating that as the presiding officer of the Senate he is obliged to exercise the great-est importability in his rulings and in stating opinions upon questions that may come before the Senate.

## BURIED ALIFE.

#### The Roof of a Mine Falls In. Burying Sixty. seven Mexican Miners.

Et. Paso, Tex., April 26. The latest news of the catastrophe at the Santa Euglia mines, near Chihuahua, Mexico, on Thursday night, is that eighty-five men were working in the mines on Thursday when it caved in, burying alive sixtyseven of the men, all of whom were Mexicans. Recently contracts were let to a number of Mexican miners and laborers to take ore from Mexican miners and laborers to take ore from the old workings at so much per ton. In their suggerness to secure large quantities of ore with the least labor these contractors began tearing down the ore pillars which supported the roof of the mine. They also cut away masses of ore that had been left between the clambers.

Thus weakened the ground began to give way at To clock on Friday morning, and almost instantly sixty-seven of the men at work underground were cut off from escape.

Gov. Alomada is on the ground with a large force of men working to recover the buried. Thirty-seven men have been recovered, ten dead, seven slying, and twenty fatally hurt. At has accounts there were thirty men still in the rains, with no hope of recovering them alive.

## HAGMAN AT LAST A SUICIDE.

He Had Lost a Leg and Otherwise Injure Himself in Seeking Beath. The body of Christian Hagman, missing since

Fen. 18, floated into the dock at the Morguyesterday afternoon, striking as it drifted in arth the tide Henry Abbey's steam yach stella, which is moored at the New York Yach juu's anchorage. Hagman, who was a shade painter of 142 Hagman, who was a shade painter of 149 Chrystic atreet, bore on his person marks of his attempts at satisfied. A hole in his skull marks the failure of an attempt to end his life on March by 1894, when he jumped theirty feet to the slowalk from a fire escape in Clinton street. Six months later he shashed his wrists with a kinfe from the lunch counter of a saloon at transfer and and fissex streets, and on flot, 4, 1894, he immed from the bridge over Park avenue at fifty-second street in front of a locomotive, hecaking his right leg. The leg was amputated at Enower Hospital, and his artificial limb furnished the first ciue to his mentity.

for a l'hiladelphia watch case company re coulty, poisoned himself with mornhine yester-day at his lodging, at all Stinyvesant street. Ho was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where his chances for recovery are considered small. He left a letter in which he biamed a nephew in Philadelphia and a brother in this city for hor owing money from him and not repaying it.

# BLIND MRS. SNOWS SCICIDE.

# She Leaped From a Second-story Window -Said to Have Left \$1,000,000. Mrs. Anne Snow, 75 years old, ended her life

yesterday morning by jumping from a second-story window into the yard at 58 East Eightysixth street. The house is owned by a Mrs. Mitchell, who was a schoolmate of Mrs. Snow Mrs. Snow was a wealthy widow, who had con-

siderable property in the vicinity of lieston, Her house in the suburbs of Boston she rented a year ago, as all her near relatives were dead. and she was lonesome in the old mansion. After oming to New York to live with Mrs. Mitchell she became troubled with a cataract in one of her eyes. Finally she became totally blind. On Friday night she dreamed that the house had caught fire, and this worried her all day Saturday.

"Wouldn't it be dreedful," she said to Mrs. Mitchell, "if the house really did go up in a blaze? What would I do, now that I'm blind?" She worried so much over the matter that Mrs. Mitchell remained with her in her room all Saturday night. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning Mrs. Mitchell went down stairs to the

dining room. She had been gone only a few minutes when Mrs. Snow jumped out of the window. Shedled at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Snow belonged to an old Massachusetts family, and, it is said, left a fortune of nearly a million dollars. She had travelled over a large part of the world and had lived abroad for five

#### THREATENED THE PORTE.

#### It Took Vigorous Measures to Procure the Release of Missionary Knapp.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26, Mr. John W. Riddle, American Charge d'Affairs, received advices on Friday morning from Iskanderoon that the Turkish authorities refused to deliver the Rev. George Knapp, the American missionary who was recently expelled from Bitlis or charges of sedition, and who was to come to this city for trial, and were determined to send him away from the country on the European steamer that sailed from Iskanderoon on Friday evening

Mr. Riddle informed Sir Philip Currie, the British Ambassador, and M. Camhon, the French Ambassador, of the situation, and went to the Porte, where he showed the written promise of Tewfik Pasha, the Foreign Minister, to deliver Mr. Knapp to the American Legation for trial. He advised Tewfik Pasha that it would be better for him to keep this promise, and at the same time telegraphed to the American Consular Agents at Issanderoon and Mer sine to call for an American cruiser if it should be necessary to secure the delivery of Mr. Knapp, These open telegrams frightened the author itles, and on Saturday Mr. Riddle received des patches saying that Mr. Knapp had been re-

# IS SHE FILIBUSTERING AGAIN?

#### The Bermuda Takes On a Mysterious Cargo at dacksonville, Fla JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 26.—The fillbustering steamer Bermuda arrived in port at 8 o'clock

to-night, anchored off the Clyde steamship dock, and took on a cargo of large boxes from a a barge, also six large eight-oared surfboats. It is said that the contents of the boxes, several hundred in number, were rifles, small arms, machetes, dynamite, powder, and medicine. A number of small boats, some containing spies, some Cubans, and others reporters, hovered near the Bermuda, but no arms were seen and

no definite proof could be obtained that the boxes contained arms.

The Bermuda chose her time well, the revenue cutter Boutwell having just left this port and a Spanish man-of-war having just departed from Key West. The Bermuda's crew was increased at this port, but by how many is not

# LYNCHED TWO WHITE MEN.

## A New Trial Had Been Granted to Then

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 26.-Two white men, William and Victor Hillia, were lynched near McMinnville, Warren county, at 2 o'clock this morning. Fifteen mounted masked men, Van Buren, rode to the McMinnville fall and. overpowering the jailer, secured the men. They were securely bound to horses and the

party disappeared. At daylight their bodies were found suspended from limbs that overhang the public road at Shellsford, five miles from McMinnville.

The men had been convicted at the September term of the Circuit Court of the murder of Carroll Martin, a Van Buren county farmer. The evidence was circumstantial, and the case was reversed and remanded by the Supreme Court.

### FIRE IN BROADWAY CABLE SLOT. Burning Cotton Waste Blocks Cars at

Some one dropped a lighted clear in the cable slot at the Fourteenth street curve, beneath the Broadway railroad tracks, at 11 o'clock last night. There was a quantity of cotton waste in the cable subway, and it caught fire. Tongues of flame shot up through the cable

slot and caused excitement in the neighborhood of Union square. Three tire engine companies responded to an alarm, and the firemen extinguished the flames.

The fire delayed traffic along the Broadway

### line for half an hour. RUNAWAY ON THE BIG BRIDGE. Frightened by Passing Cars, a Mail Wagor

Horse Creates Commotion, A horse attached to a mail wagon, while on its way from Brooklyn last evening, became frightened at a train of passing cars near the New York terminal of the big bridge and ran

New York terminal of the big bridge and ran away.

There were five carriages ahead of the mail wagon when the horse started off. The drivers of four of the carriages whippet up their horses and managed to escape through the gateway. The fifth pulled up alongside the iren railing and the mail wagon flew by without touching his vehicle.

Bridge Policeman Murphy had the big gate nearly closed as the runaway reached it. The crash threw Joseph Brown, driver of the mail wagon, off his seat, while the herse fell in a heap, and the shafts were shattered. The wagon didn't stop until it had run over the horse and dashed nagainst the heavy gate.

Brown was uninjured and, with Murphy's assistance, the horse was got on his feet, the harness patched up, and the wagon, which escaped much damage, driven over to the Post Office.

### ANOTHER PATERSON HOLD UP. John Atlen Held Un in the Mireet and Hin

PATERSON, April 26, As John Ailen of th alls firm of Rettger & Allen was going to his home early this morning, and was hearing the corner of East Twenty-first street, two men whom he had noticed following him, walked past him and stopped in front of him.

"tive as some manay," said one of them.
Allen said he had no money.

"Well, what time is it then?" continued one of the strangers.

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"I'll tell you in a minute," said Alien, and
pulled out his waith. As soon as the watch
came in sight one of the men grasped it and
broke it losso from the chain. The men then
made off.

#### LEAPLD FROM A FERRYBOAT When Rescued and Brought Ashore the

Would-be Suicide Ran Away. A man, whose name is not known, lumped in the middle of the North River yesterday

He was rescued by two men in a rowboat and taken to the ferry house at the foot of West Fourteenth street. He ran away on landing, and the police of the West Twentieth street station are looking for him.

# SWAMPED WITH SEEDS.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

### CONGRESSMEN NEATLY TRICKED BY SECRETARY MORTON.

#### They Forgot to Order Him to Distribute the Seeds They Bought, and Now Each Is Struggling with 16,490 Packages-Post Office Wants Help Streets Pull.

WASHINGTON, April 26.-The Postmaster of

ashington has been compelled to appeal to congress for extra help to dispose of the bags garden and flower seeds which are piled high in the corridors of the Post Office building and in the adjacent streets. Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives is entitled to 15,000 packages of vegetable and 1,400 packages of flower seed, which are put up in bundles of five packages each and delivered by the Department of Agriculture in bags as ordered, but is compelled to distribute them without assistance from the de-partment, which causes a great deal of discontent. Under the old plan all a Congressman had to do was to write a letter informing the Secretary of Agriculture that he would like to have packages of seeds from his allotment sens to the persons whose names appeared on a list which he enclosed, and the rest of the work was done by the seed bureau over in Secretary Mor-

ton's building. But that seed bureau has been abolished, and sithough Congress, in opposition to the Secre a tarr's recommendation and in defiance of his protests, required him to purchase the seeds, infortunately for their own comfort the Congressmen made no provision for means to distribute them. The result is that most of the Senators and Representatives are now buried under an avalanche of garden seeds which they are finding it difficult to dispose of, for they are required to address every package separately and send it to the Post Office after making the appropriate selections.

Some Representatives have had their quota loaded into big mail bags and shipped in bulk to their political lieutenants in different parts of their districts, with a fac-simile frank to be used in mailing the packages where they will do the roost good. Others have had their entire alletment sent in bulk to political committees; others to Postmasters who are asked to send them out according to their own judgment, with the compliments of the Congressman. This saves trouble and annoyance.

But there are some more conscientious individuals who are now working night and day addressing packages of seeds to the farmers whose names appear in their campaign book, and "cursing" the Secretary of Agriculture with a disgust that is most profound. loaded into big mail bags and shipped in bulk to

### AN ACTOR'S NOSE BROKEN.

#### Scrap at Tony Pastor's Which Results in a Stage Hand's Arrest Edward O'Rourke of 409 East Fifteenth

street, a stage hand employed at Tony Pastor's. was charged in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday morning with assaulting Actor Henry Cazman, 32 years old, of 306 East Fourteenth street, and with carrying a revolver. On Saturday night Cazman, when leaving the stage at Tony Pastor's, got into an altercation

with the stage hand, which resulted in his be-ing taken to Bellevue Hospital with a broken nose. The row, which occurred at the entrance nose. The row, which occurred at the entrance leading to the dressing rooms, frightened one of the actresses so much that she ran into Fourteenth street and screamed for a policeman. When Policeman Bryan of the East Twenty-second atreet station reached the theatra, O'Hourke started to run. In passing one of his fellow employees, he tried to hand him a revolver a foot long. The man dropped the weapon, and, when the policeman took his prisoner to the station house, he added the charge of violating the city ordinance relating to the carrying of firearms to that of felonious assault preferred by the actor.

When the case was called befored Magistrate Brain yesterday morning Cazman failed to appear, and the charge of assault against the prisoner was dismissed. He was fined \$10 for carrying a revolver without a permit.

### DID SHE KILL MONIGOMERY GIRBS Minnie Allen Says He Wronged Her and

BUFFALO, April 26.—A telegram was received last night from Chaplain Bancroft of the Wis-

consin State prison, saying: "Minnie Allen, now serving a two years' sentence in this prison, says she shot and killed falo, N. Y., in April, 1894. She says while traveiling with Gibbs in the West he wronged her and returned East. She followed him to Buffalo, and on the night in question she met him on the street and asked him if he intended to marry her. He refused and made some remarks reflecting on her previous character. She asked him for his revolver. He gave it to

She asked him for his revolver. He gave it to her, and she shot and killed him. I think she registered at the hotel under another name. She made this confession voluntarily, being troubled in mint because other parties were anffering unjustly for the orme."

The police here think the woman is identical with a Minule Campbell who was registered at a hotel here at the time of the nurrier. She was a "erook" and a morphice fiend, She left here and went to Lis Porte, ind., where she told the police a somewhat similar story to that related by Chaplain Bancroft. The police investigated her story and found that there was no truth in it.

In it. District Attorney Kenefick places no credence in the alleged confession of the Wiscon-sin prisoner, and thinks also she and Minnie Campbell are the same.

# LION LOOSE IN HIS OFFICE. Dr. Knox and an Attendant Have a Strug-

gle in Bridgeport. DANKURY, Conn., April 2d. Tom, an African ton, broke loose in the office of Dr. Louis ti. Knox in this city vesterday, and attacked the Bob Fitzsimmons's pet which was killed by electricity a few days ago. His father is a circus ilon Wallace. Tom is 6 months old, His owner, Dr. Knox, was formerly veterinary

His owner. Dr. Knox, was formerly veterinary surgeon of the Barnum and Bailey show. He has a menageric attached to his office, and in it are three young lions. They are being trained.

Tom came from the South yesterday, and while he was being transferred from the cage in which he travelled from Atlanta the chain attached to his collar broke. The iton leaped toward an open window but Dr. Knox caught him by the tall and draysed him back. Joseph Thomas the attendant trainer, threw a chain around the flon's seek during the few seconds that Dr. Knox held the animal. The lion fought viciously and relied over the floor with the two men clingling to him. The Doctor's coung daughter heard the noise and ran in with a stray. She made a noose of it and threw it over the lion's bead. The other end she fastened to a ring in the wall. The Doctor and his assistant were severely scratched during the fight.

### LA BRETAGNE'S SCREW HITS ICE A Blade Knocked till the Propeller by t

Flow in Latitude 41 1.2. The French liners usually steer clear of the ice off the Banks, as they take a course more southerly than that followed by any other steamships. But the ice is unusually far south this season, and on Wednesday last La Bretague, which arrived yesterday, was forced to do some playagging to avoid dangerous flows.

She passed saveral big bergshe latitude 11° 30°. Her propeller struck a fits that stranged along her side and one of the blades was broken. She had three blades left and made port practically at full speed—she may go into dry dock to get a new blade. The Netherlands American liner Mandam from Rotterdam, passed twenty-one bergs, and the Palatin of the Hamburg-American line, from Hamburg, passed twelve bergs.

## ROTH RURNED TO DEATH.

#### Farmer Culies and His Wife Caught by the Fire Which Destroyed Their Home. MIDDLETOWS, N. Y., April 26. The house of

rand Culien, altuated near Chester, was hurned to the ground early this morning, and ulien and his wife perished in the flames. relative, escaped from the burning structure by imming from a third-story window. It is thought that the fire was caused by the expla-sion of a lamp. Morris Cullen, a son, and George Thompson, a